## **Maine Revised Statutes**

## Title 7: AGRICULTURE AND ANIMALS

## Chapter 747: NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT ACT

## §4207. WINTER SPREADING OF MANURE PROHIBITED

1. Winter spreading prohibited. Except pursuant to a variance granted under subsection 2, a person may not spread manure on agricultural fields between December 1st of a calendar year and March 15th of the following calendar year. This prohibition includes the spreading of manure and spraying or irrigation of liquid manure.

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[ 2003, c. 452, Pt. B, §28 (NEW); 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF) .]
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**2. Variance.** Upon application to the commissioner, the commissioner may grant a variance to allow a person to spread manure during the winter due to financial hardship or other circumstances that necessitate the application. In granting a variance, the commissioner shall impose restrictions to minimize potential environmental degradation and prescribe actions to ensure future compliance.

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[ 2003, c. 452, Pt. B, §28 (NEW); 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF) .]
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**3. Violation.** A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of up to \$1,000 per day for each day that spreading occurs may be adjudged.

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[ 2003, c. 452, Pt. B, §28 (NEW); 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF) .]

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